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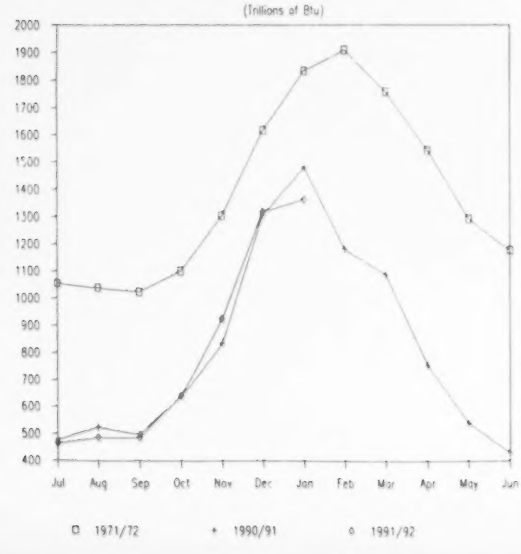
Residential, commercial, industrial and electric generation sales decreased in January 1992 compared with last year. Total utility sales declined from 1,480.2 trillion Btu in January 1991 to 1,362.8 trillion Btu in January 1992. January transportation volumes to end users increased 9.7 percent compared with last year.

GAS UTILITY VOLUMES TO ULTIMATE CONSUMERS (Trillions of Btu)

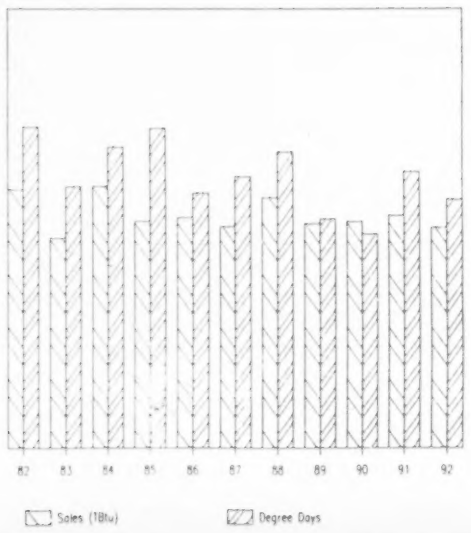
	January			Heating Season (Nov.-Jan.)		January 1 to December 31		
	1992	1991	%Change[1]	1992	(% Change) Last Period	1992 Forecast[2]	1991	%Change
Residential	758.3	801.5	- 5.4	1,951.1	+ 3.0	4,594.7	4,577.4	+ 0.4
Commercial	327.7	360.5	- 9.1	864.2	- 0.1	2,229.9	2,215.3	+ 0.7
Industrial*	171.1	205.7	-16.8	531.2	-10.8	1,801.9	1,836.5	- 1.9
Elec. Gen.*	82.9	86.0	- 3.6	196.4	- 3.4	969.6	972.7	- 0.3
Other	22.8	26.5	-	61.7	-	175.4	183.7	-
Total Sales	1,362.8	1,480.2	- 7.9	3,604.6	- 0.4	9,771.5	9,785.6	- 0.1
Transportation*	418.1	381.1	+ 9.7	1,247.8	+15.7	4,727.3	4,690.3	+ 0.8
Total Volumes	1,780.9	1,861.3	- 4.3	4,853.3	+ 3.3	14,498.8	14,475.9	+ 0.2**
Degree Days***	854	949	-10.0	2,231	- 0.5			

*Significant sales volumes have been displaced by transportation volumes.
**No direct comparison with EIA consumption figures should be made.
***Source: NOAA (weighted by Gas Homeheating Customers - Normal for January is 977)

TOTAL MONTHLY GAS UTILITY SALES



JANUARY RESIDENTIAL GAS UTILITY SALES



RESIDENTIAL APPLIANCE SHIPMENTS - JANUARY

(Thousands of Units)

		1992	1991	% Change '91 vs '92
Domestic Ranges	- Gas	181.4	190.4	- 4.7
	- Electric	253.1	268.1	- 5.6
Clothes Dryers	- Gas	94.2	100.3	- 6.1
	- Electric	291.9	317.7	- 8.1
Water Heaters	- Gas	360.6	347.3	+ 3.8
	- Electric	268.8	256.8	+ 4.7
Warm Air Furnaces	- Gas	153.4	149.9	+ 2.3
	- Electric	23.3	21.3	+ 9.4
	- Oil	10.3	9.8	+ 5.2
Boilers	- Gas	12.1	12.5	- 2.9
	- Oil	6.9	6.0	+13.6

Source: Gas Appliance Manufacturers Association (GAMA).
Association of Home Appliances Manufacturers.

SPOT PRICES TO GAS DISTRIBUTION COMPANIES

(January 1992)

Receipt Point	Price ($/MMBtu)*
Northeast	$1.97
Southeast	$2.05
Midwest	$2.10
Southwest	$1.80
West	$2.07
Total	$1.99

Source: American Gas Association
*Represents average price paid at receipt point for a one-month contract.

ECONOMIC INDICATORS - JANUARY

	1992	1991	% Change '91 vs '92
Total Actual Private Housing Starts (Thous. of units)	72.3	52.5	+37.7
Consumer Price Index (All urban, unadjusted, 1982 - 1984 = 100)			
Gas (utility pipe gas)	101.2	101.7	- 0.5
Electricity	120.7	118.3	+ 2.0
Fuel Oil	89.1	111.7	-20.2
Index Total Gas Sales (1972 = 100)	74.3	80.7	- 7.9
Gas Utility Prices ($/MMBtu)			
Residential	5.36	5.40	- 0.7
Commercial	4.92	4.92	-
Industrial	3.45	3.54	- 2.8
Electric Generation	2.11	2.69	-21.7
Total	4.78	4.83	- 1.1
Carriage Volumes[3](TBtu)			
To Ultimate Consumers	418.1	381.1	+ 9.7
For Ultimate Consumers	218.8	193.6	+13.0
For Resale	448.0	420.3	+ 6.6
Total	1,084.9	995.1	+ 9.0

Source: Department of Commerce, Bureau of Labor Statistics

Source: American Gas Association

AVERAGE GAS UTILITY PRICES - 12 MONTH PERIOD ENDING

($/MMBtu)

Year	Month	Total	Res.	Comm.	Ind. Only	Elec. Gen.	Other
1982	Dec.	4.456	4.969	4.721	3.969	4.090	4.303
1983	Dec.	5.120	5.882	5.508	4.486	4.198	4.921
1984	Dec.	5.128	5.938	5.511	4.410	4.222	4.869
1985	Dec.	5.017	5.953	5.441	4.248	3.812	4.791
1986	Dec.	4.602	5.652	5.035	3.650	2.726	4.025
1987	Dec.	4.315	5.387	4.764	3.112	2.511	3.427
1988	Dec.	4.313	5.288	4.632	3.040	2.545	3.359
1989	Dec.	4.503	5.455	4.769	3.167	2.694	3.102
1990	Dec.	4.569	5.595	4.838	3.193	2.645	3.239
1991P	Jan.	4.598	5.620	4.841	3.189	2.621	3.221
	Feb.	4.591	5.611	4.828	3.180	2.616	3.192
	Mar.	4.590	5.611	4.828	3.164	2.628	3.147
	Apr.	4.602	5.631	4.836	3.141	2.648	3.144
	May	4.608	5.643	4.842	3.123	2.646	3.126
	June	4.614	5.653	4.844	3.123	2.629	3.113
	July	4.618	5.661	4.845	3.106	2.629	3.079
	Aug.	4.615	5.669	4.845	3.082	2.538	3.079
	Sep.	4.607	5.674	4.844	3.057	2.455	3.056
	Oct.	4.607	5.680	4.847	3.031	2.440	3.060
	Nov.	4.597	5.656	4.821	3.009	2.437	3.034
	Dec.	4.587	5.644	4.821	2.973	2.415	3.019
1992P	Jan.	4.577	5.640	4.819	2.953	2.364	2.976

AVERAGE MONTHLY GAS UTILITY PRICES

($/MMBtu)

Year	Month	Total	Res.	Comm.	Ind. & Elec.	Ind. Only	Elec. Only
1990	Jan.	4.78	5.24	4.90	3.45	3.55	3.13
	Feb.	4.94	5.45	4.98	3.47	3.47	3.50
	Mar.	4.74	5.39	4.89	3.10	3.38	2.39
	Apr.	4.55	5.42	4.82	2.88	3.18	2.26
	May	4.40	5.77	4.65	2.80	3.04	2.45
	June	4.35	6.48	4.84	2.70	2.96	2.42
	July	4.16	6.85	4.78	2.67	2.82	2.54
	Aug.	4.06	6.89	4.80	2.77	2.88	2.68
	Sep.	4.13	6.62	4.77	2.78	2.85	2.57
	Oct.	4.28	5.95	4.69	2.78	2.95	2.55
	Nov.	4.67	5.49	4.78	3.25	3.27	3.18
	Dec.	4.78	5.39	4.81	3.32	3.39	3.07
1991P	Jan.	4.83	5.40	4.92	3.29	3.54	2.69
	Feb.	4.88	5.39	4.88	3.37	3.39	3.27
	Mar.	4.72	5.41	4.89	3.03	3.20	2.60
	Apr.	4.70	5.66	4.92	2.78	2.88	2.52
	May	4.49	6.03	4.73	2.62	2.78	2.31
	June	4.47	6.87	4.91	2.60	2.96	2.16
	July	4.22	7.13	4.80	2.55	2.58	2.52
	Aug.	3.95	7.22	4.81	2.32	2.60	2.03
	Sep.	3.96	6.80	4.73	2.22	2.51	1.86
	Oct.	4.29	6.06	4.74	2.56	2.65	2.43
	Nov.	4.55	5.29	4.53	3.07	3.04	3.19
	Dec.	4.71	5.32	4.80	2.99	3.08	2.72
1992P	Jan.	4.78	5.36	4.92	3.01	3.45	2.11

[1]Gas volumes are based on, and the percent change is a function of, the 69 sample companies whose sales constitute about 60% of total gas utility sales to ultimate consumers. The peak year in total sales for the gas utility industry occurred in 1972.
[2]1992 forecasts for the residential and commercial sectors are based on available 1992 monthly data with the remaining months derived by using a four year average. The industrial sector forecast (industrial only, electric generation, and transportation) is also based on available 1992 monthly data with the remaining months of 1992 heavily weighted by last year's volumes with no adjustment made for degree days.
[3]Carriage volumes determined by using a simple straight expansion of sample data to represent the total gas utility industry. Carriage volumes for ultimate consumers are volumes owned by the ultimate consumer but delivered to another transporter, not the ultimate consumer, and are therefore broken out to eliminate double counting of volumes delivered to ultimate consumers.
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